

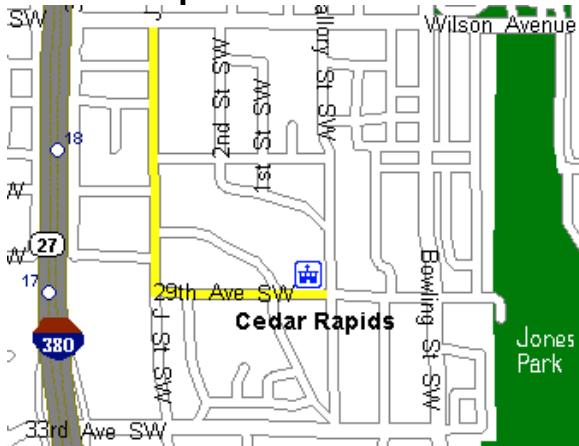


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Hus Happenings

Hus Presbyterian Church presents...



HUS RACING LEAGUE

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Join the Worship
Team at
Mission of Hope
on Saturday,
February 10th
at 6:30 PM.



Ash Wednesday
Service on
February 21st
at 7:00 PM



February

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
				1 Prayer Warriors- 12:30 PM H.S. Bible Study at Panera Bread - 5:30 PM Women's Bible Study at the Page's - 7 PM	2 Breakfast Club at Kennedy High School - 7:00 AM Breakfast Club at Prairie Middle School - 7:30 AM The Spirit Van Stop for 20 free tickets to Valentine's Banquet- 4:00 PM	3
4 Worship Service - 9:30 AM Sunday School - 11 AM Confirmation - 2 PM Youth serving at 1 st Presbyterian Church for Sunday Evening Meal 4 - 6 PM Super Bowl Gathering at the Jackson's - 4:30 PM	5 Youth Ministry Prayer - 7 PM	6 Quilters - 8:30 AM Bible Study - 1:30 PM SW Area Neighbors meeting - 6:30 PM at Wilson School Trustee's Meeting - 7 PM	7 H.S. Bible Study at Marion HS - 7:30 AM Youth Group Movie Night - 5:15 PM Meal- 5:15 PM Choir- 7 PM Worship Team- 8 PM	8 Prayer Warriors- 12:30 PM H.S. Bible Study at Panera Bread - 5:30 PM Women's Bible Study at the Page's - 7 PM	9 Breakfast Club at Kennedy High School - 7:00 AM Breakfast Club at Prairie Middle School - 7:30 AM The Spirit Valentine's Banquet - 7pm	10 Hus Racing League Registration- 9:30 AM Racing begins-10 AM - WOW at Mission of Hope- 6:30 PM
11 Worship Service - 9:30 AM Sunday School - 11 AM Table Talks at Pastor Will's home- 3:30 PM	12 Youth Ministry Prayer - 7 PM	13 Quilters - 8:30 AM Bible Study - 1:30 PM	14 H.S. Bible Study at Marion HS - 7:30 AM Meal- 5:15 PM Youth Group-5:45 PM Choir- 6:45 PM Worship Team- 8 PM 	15 Prayer Warriors- 12:30 PM H.S. Bible Study at Panera Bread - 5:30 PM Spirit Family Skate Night- 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study at the Page's - 7 PM	16 Breakfast Club at Kennedy High School - 7:00 AM Breakfast Club at Prairie Middle School - 7:30 AM	17 Alpha Leader Training in Youth Room at 10:00 AM
18 Worship Service - 9:30 AM Sunday School - 11 AM Confirmation - 2 PM	19 Youth Ministry Prayer - 7 PM  PRESIDENTS' DAY	20 Men's Breakfast- 7:30 AM Quilters - 8:30 AM Bible Study - 1:30 PM Session- 7:00 PM	21 H.S. Bible Study at Marion HS - 7:30 AM Meal- 5:15 PM Youth Group-5:45 PM Ash Wednesday Service 7:00 PM Choir- 7:30 PM Worship Team- 8 PM  Ash Wednesday	22 Lunch Bunch- 11:30 AM H.S. Bible Study at Panera Bread - 5:30 PM Women's Bible Study at the Page's - 7 PM	23 Breakfast Club at Kennedy High School - 7:00 AM	24 Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Walk to Cure Diabetes at Westdale Mall - 8 AM
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Put On Your “Christ Clothes”

Ellen Charry, a professor at the seminary I graduated from, has an interesting story about the moment she became a follower of Jesus Christ. She had been reading a theologian named Karl Barth, and she came to a passage that quoted Galatians 4:26: “You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.” Now, Ellen had never been baptized, having grown up in a distinctly non-Christian home and environment. So she was not aware of the practice St. Paul is referring to of the newly baptized being given new clothes to wear in order to symbolize their new life in Christ. But when she read those words of Galatians, she was captivated by the image of “putting on Christ-clothes.” She says she closed her eyes, put her arms up, and began to imagine “Christ-clothes” being put on over her arms, and she began to imagine the sensation of having new clothes on that made her clean, forgiven, righteous, and delighted in by God. This was her conversion moment.

The reality Ellen experience with the aid of her imagination is a good model for all of us. We all need to put on our “Christ-clothes,” which not only means coming to know Christ as Lord and Saviour for the first time, but growing into these clothes by getting to know Christ better and following Him more closely. This will be our emphasis this month at Hus Church.

There are the usual Bible studies and group activities that are available for growing into Christ’s image, but there are special things I would like to highlight. First, we begin the season of Lent on Ash Wednesday, February 21st. We will be having a special service for placing ashes on the forehead that evening at 7:00. This is a good way to enter into a season of reflection on our following Jesus, both as individuals and as a community of disciples. We will also have a Lenten study guide this year for people to use in the personal devotion time.

The second special opportunity to grow into our “Christ-clothes” will be the beginning of our first Alpha course, scheduled presently to begin Monday, February 26th, in my home. This will be a small beginning to what hopefully will become a big part of life at Hus Church. The Alpha course is a ten week introduction to the basics of the Christian faith in a simple, non-threatening atmosphere. It is essentially dinner, a talk, and a discussion. While it is geared to people who are exploring whether or not Christianity is for them, it is also a good refresher course for those who already claim to be disciples of Jesus. Please ask me for more information if you are at all interested in this, either as a potential leader or participant.

A third offering, but not such a big deal, is an invitation by me for anyone interested in discussing some basic theology issues to come to my home every other Sunday, beginning February 11th at 3:30 PM. This will be about an hour, and will be called “Table Talks” (after the famous talks Martin Luther used to have with his students around the dinner table). I know not many if any will jump at this, but it is something I enjoy and am seeking to share with anyone else who may be so inclined.

So, as we enter February and the Lenten season, let’s do what St. Paul urges us to do in his letter to the Galatians, to “clothe” ourselves “with Christ.” We may even take Ellen Charry’s cue and imagine ourselves putting on brand new clothes that make us new inside as well --- our “Christ-clothes.”

In Christ’s Peace,

Will

FEBRUARY



HAPPY
BIRTHDAY

Birthdays

1	Karla Zahradnik Anna Hanson David McDill
2	Irene Hamous
3	Norm Reisetter
4	Melissa Peal
12	Hedy Benesh
15	Carol Cabbage
16	Marilyn Hess Heather Williamson
19	Marissa Van Wyk
21	Elmer Rompot
25	Evelyn Karasek
28	Sean Koopman

Why Ashes?

On Ash Wednesday many pastors dip a finger or thumb in black ashes and make the form of a cross on the foreheads of worshipers. Many Christians keep the symbol on their head for the entire day. It is a reminder of one's sorrow for one's sins. It is a sign of humility and the need for forgiveness. Also, the cross on the forehead reminds us of the death of Christ for the forgiveness of our sins.

Happy ANNIVERSARY

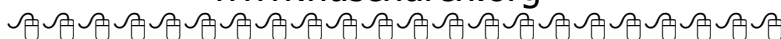


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25	David & Michele Raim	18
26	Richard & Margaret Feiereisen	58



Check us out online!

If you have access to a computer, go to
www.huschurch.org



✧ **Transportation provided by the Deacons** ✧

Please call the office by the Thursday to schedule a ride to church. A Deacon will return your call and arrange to pick you up and take you home following worship service.

The Alphabet Prayer

Many of us need to be more like the little girl whom the farmer found lost in his meadow. The farmer said to her, "Do not cry; I'll take you home."

The little child snuggled up to him, and with a smile, said, "I knew you would; I was waiting for you."

"Waiting for me?" said the man. "What made you think I was coming?"

"I was praying you would," she said.

"Praying? When I first heard you, you were saying A-B-C-D-E-F-G. What was that for?"

She looked up again and said, "I'm just a little girl. I was praying all the letters of the alphabet and letting God put them together the way he wanted to. He knows I was lost, and he knows how to put words together better than I do."

—Homiletics

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For **rules** and **class** descriptions go to
www.huschurch.org
click on the Hus Racing League link or
go to www.orangetrackracing.org.

Hus Presbyterian Church - Sharing The Blessings!

STROKE: Remember The 1st Three Letters...S.T.R.

STROKE IDENTIFICATION:

During a BBQ, a friend stumbled and took a little fall - she assured everyone that she was fine (they offered to call paramedics) and just tripped over a brick because of her new shoes. They got her cleaned up and got her a new plate of food - while she appeared a bit shaken up, Ingrid went about enjoying herself the rest of the evening. Ingrid's husband called later telling everyone that his wife had been taken to the hospital at 6:00 PM and Ingrid passed away. She had suffered a stroke at the BBQ. Had they known how to identify the signs of a stroke, perhaps Ingrid would be with us today. Some don't die. They end up in a helpless, hopeless condition instead. It only takes a minute to read this...

A neurologist says that if he can get to a stroke victim within 3 hours he can totally reverse the effects of a stroke...totally. He said the trick was getting a stroke recognized, diagnosed, and then getting the patient medically cared for within 3 hours, which is tough.

RECOGNIZING A STROKE

Thank God for the sense to remember the "3" steps, STR . Read and Learn!

Sometimes symptoms of a stroke are difficult to identify. Unfortunately, the lack of awareness spells disaster. The stroke victim may suffer severe brain damage when people nearby fail to recognize the symptoms of a stroke.

Now doctors say a bystander can recognize a stroke by asking three simple questions:

S * Ask the individual to **SMILE**.

T * Ask the person to **TALK** to **SPEAK A SIMPLE SENTENCE**
(Coherently) (i.e. .. It is sunny out today)

R* Ask him or her to **RAISE BOTH ARMS**.

NOTE:

Another 'sign' of a stroke is this: Ask the person to 'stick' out their tongue. If the tongue is 'crooked', if it goes to one side or the other that is also an indication of a stroke. If he or she has trouble with ANY ONE of these tasks, call 911 immediately !! and describe the symptoms to the dispatcher.



Believing On Our Master

February 2007



Hi All,

¹⁸"Come now, let us reason together," says the LORD. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool. (Isaiah 1:18 NIV)

This passage from Isaiah was the inspiration behind the new logo for the youth group. The downward red (the color will be shades of gray in the print version) triangle represents our sins and where they can take us ... down. The top triangle that is pointing up represents those who follow Christ. It is not completely white because we are not without sin. The cross is pure white and is represents what Christ did for us when he died on the cross. BOOM is red and on the cross because as followers of Jesus we put our sins on the cross.

As we start this New Year many things are coming up. Planning for the 30-Hour Famine, this summer's mission trip to St. Louis, the Fall Retreat, amongst many other things. I will continue to keep in mind the things that the youth remembered from this past year:

- Mission Trip
- Getting a drivers permit/license
- Going to Camp Wyoming
- Starting High School
- Doing well on homework
- Good showing at the fair
- Brother going to college
- Graduating from High School
- Fall Retreat
- The Grave
- Family and friends birthdays
- Christmas
- Summer vacation

These are just some of the things that they wrote down. In preparing for things this year these and others will be at the top of our minds. If we cannot relate to what is important to them, how can we possibly reach them for Christ? This is a goal for the youth ministry this year.

This year will also see some things that we have not done in the past. There will be a discussion with parents on how they can minister to their kids at home. Why? Because the church only has about 1 to 2 hours a week with them each week. Parents have much more than this. Without this support what we do will not have a life long impact. There is a quote from Edward, Duke of Windsor (1895-1977) that resonates with me almost daily, "The thing that impresses me most about America is the way parents obey their children." Paul tells us in Ephesians 6:1-4 (NIV) ¹"Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. ²"Honor your father and mother"—which is the first commandment with a promise—³"that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth." ⁴Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord." We need to teach our children so no matter where they are they are walking with Christ.

None of us are perfect, but we have the hope that Jesus gave us when He died for our sins. Let's not let Him down. Obedience leads to right choices and a good life, but rebellion leads to regret.

God Bless!

Because of Him,

Terry



The Priestly Blessing: ²²The LORD said to Moses, ²³"Tell Aaron and his sons, 'This is how you are to bless the Israelites. Say to them: ²⁴"The LORD bless you and keep you; ²⁵the LORD make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; ²⁶the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace.'" (Numbers 6:22-27 NIV)



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Upcoming Meetings

February

- Movie night. Join us on the 7th for movie night beginning at 5:15 PM. This would be a great night to invite some friends, just let us know how many are coming so we can make sure that we have enough to eat (please be sure to bring \$3 to help cover the cost of the meal). Are you part of another youth group? Have your youth leader get a hold of us; we would love to have you join us!
- On the 14th, 21st, and 28th we will gather from 5:45 to 6:45 PM.
- Confirmation is on the 4th and the 18th from 2 to 3:30 PM.

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Upcoming Concerts/Events

February

4 th	Youth group serving Sunday Evening Meal at 1 st Presbyterian Church, Cedar Rapids from 4 to 6 PM.
10 th	2007 HRL Season begins.
14 th	Valentine's Day
21 st	Ash Wednesday
25 th	1 st Sunday in Lent

March

4 th	Youth group serving Sunday Evening Meal at 1 st Presbyterian Church, Cedar Rapids from 4 to 6 PM.
10 th	2007 HRL Race #2.
11 th	Daylight Savings Time begins
16 th	Shamrock Around the Clock

Every Monday: Youth Prayer Time, 7 PM from where ever you are.

Every Wednesday: Marion High School Bible Study
7:30 AM at Marion High School.

Every Thursday: High School Bible Study
5:30 PM at Panera Bread on the Collins Road NE.

Every Friday: Breakfast Clubs
7:00 AM at Kennedy High School, Room 162.
7:30 AM at Prairie Middle School in Mr. Davis' room.
Times subject to change.

A conversation with God

Hi God,

Thank you for all that you do for us. Help us to remember what our parents have taught us about You. Help us make the right choices so we really can say that we Believe On Our Master.

Amen!

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Rotational Sunday School Exploring God's World

The Prodigal Son

The preschool through 6th graders have been learning the story of the prodigal son in January. The kids made family trees, acted out the story, made puppy chow for the celebration of the brother coming home, and watched movies. The younger kids watched the "Wizard of Oz" (focusing on how Dorothy wanted to get home, just like the younger brother), and the older kids watched "The Field of Dreams" (focusing on the relationship between father and son). The key memory verse for this lessons is Luke 15:32 *"But we had to celebrate and be happy, because your brother was dead, but now he is alive; he was lost but now he has been found."*

Feeding the 5,000

His Sunday School will be learning the miracle of Jesus feeding the 5000 in the second spring rotation. The memory verses are John 6:29 "Jesus told them, This is the will of God, that you believe in the one he has sent" and John 6:35 "Jesus said, 'I am the bread of life.'" The kids will focus on the fact that Jesus reveals that he is God's Son by both the things he does and the gifts he give us. We need to remember that when God asks us to do something by faith, He always supplies us with what we need to do the task.

The Stations:

Imagination Island:
Creative Art

Bible Broadway:
Drama

Movies on the Mount:
Video

SCRIPTURE SAFARI:
Bible Exploration

Polar P.C.:
Computers

Youth in 7th Grade
through High School
will meet in the Youth
Room for Sunday School
with Marcia,
Terry and Diane.

The Rotation Model redesigns the classrooms into creative kid-pleasing workshops (stations) that teach Bible stories. Groups of students rotate to new stations each week for a 5 week "rotation" period. During that 5 week period only one Bible story is taught. Every rotation, every week is focused on learning that one Bible story.

**Where will my Child
be each week?**

Meet at 11am in Fellowship Hall

2/4: (last rotation of the Prodigal Son) PreSchool through 3rd Graders - Imagination Island 4th-6th Graders - Movies on the Mount

2/11: PreSchool through 3rd Graders - Polar P.C. 4th-6th Graders - Scripture Safari

2/18: PreSchool through 3rd Graders - Bible Broadway 4th-6th Graders - Polar P.C.

2/25: PreSchool through 3rd Graders - Movies on the Mount 4th-6th Graders - Bible Broadway

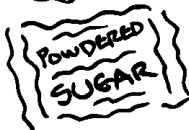
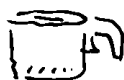
3/4: PreSchool through 3rd Graders - Imagination Island 4th-6th Graders - Movies on the Mount

LOVE TREATS

Show others love by baking them a lovely treat!

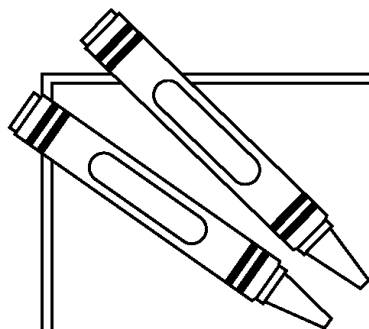
What you need:

- ♥ An adult to help
- ♥ Refrigerated cookie dough (sugar or chocolate chip)
- ♥ Jar of red jam (raspberry or strawberry)
- ♥ 1 or 2 heart-shaped cookie cutters. (If you use 2, make sure they are different sizes.)
- ♥ Powdered sugar
- ♥ Sifter
- ♥ Knife



What you do:

1. Follow the cookie dough directions for rolling out the dough.
2. If you are using one cookie cutter, cut out the heart-shaped cookies and transfer to a baking sheet. Try to have an even number of hearts when finished.
3. If you are using two cookie cutters, cut out the large hearts. Take half of the hearts, and cut out a small heart window in the center with the smaller cookie cutter. Now you have a heart inside another heart.
4. Have an adult help you bake the cookies according to the dough directions.
5. After baking, place the cookies on a cooling rack.
6. When the cookies are cooled, make cookie sandwiches by spreading jam onto the flat side of half the cookies, and then placing another cookie on top of each one. (If you made cookie windows, use those for the tops.)
7. Sprinkle powdered sugar over your heart sandwiches with a sifter.
8. Share the cookies with the people you love.



Just for KIDS

But the Greatest of These Is LOVE!

God shows love to us every day and in many ways. Fill in the blanks below with the missing letters to see how God loves us perfectly!

“For God so lo _ _ ed the world,

that he g _ ve

his on _ y

begott _ n

So _ ,

_ hat whosoever

believeth _ n Him

should _ ot perish,

but have _ verlasting life.

—John 3:16, KJV

Answer: valentine

